MCKINNEY VENTO GRANT AWARD SCORING RUBRIC

1. Statement of Need:

Comments:

- Describe the process used to assess the **needs of homeless children and youth**. Include the following in the description:
 - a) When the needs assessment was conducted and what types of data were reviewed. Whether the assessment was part of a comprehensive needs assessment for other programs (Title I, Section 31a, etc.),
 - b) The number of homeless children and youth identified in the service area during the last school year,
 - c) The number of homeless children and youth **directly served by the applicant during the last school year**
 - d) The number of homeless children and youth the applicant plans to **serve directly with this grant**, if this application is successful.
 - Describe the area in which services to homeless students will be provided by the applicant (names of school districts, counties, cities).
 - Briefly describe the educational and related needs identified by the needs assessment. Indicate the needs that will be met through other programs/services and the needs to be addressed with McKinney Vento funds.

Marginal	Adequate	Exemplary
(lacks sufficient information;	(clear and complete)	(well conceived and thoroughly
requires clarification or		developed)
additional information)		
Points: 0-5	Points: 6-13	Points: 14-20
There is no evidence of a	There is evidence of a	Meets all criteria for adequate
needs assessment or the needs	systematic needs assessment	Detailed results from a current
assessment is not current.	and documentation of	needs assessment are provided
Data on the number of	identified needs.	with supporting data.
homeless students identified	Data is provided on the	Complete data is provided on the
and served has not been	number of homeless	number of homeless students in
included.	students identified and the	the service area, the number
The needs identified are not	number to be served.	served during the last school
appropriate to the purpose of	Identified needs are	year and the number planned
McKinney Vento.	appropriate to the purpose of	to be served with the funds
The service area for the grant	the grant.	secured by this grant.
is not identified or is limited	The service area for grant	The identified service area
to one school.	funded services is specified.	includes more than one school
		district and/or public school
		academy with the applicant
		acting as fiscal agent for the
		area.

Score ____

2. Plan of Operation:

- Describe the programs and/or services that the applicant has planned to meet the needs identified in the first section of the application. Programs and services funded by this grant must address the removal of barriers to enrollment, attendance and academic success for homeless children and youth.
- Include in the description of services to be provided: location of services, method for serving homeless children and youth, and how the McKinney Vento services will improve regular academic services.

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(lacks sufficient	(clear and complete)	(well conceived and
information; requires		thoroughly developed)
clarification or additional		
information)		
Points: 0-5	Points: 6-13	Points: 14-20
Description of planned	Description of programs	Meets all criteria for adequate.
programs and services is	and services planned to	Programs and services
vague and not connected to	address the identified needs.	proposed are clearly designed
the needs identified in the	Major objectives are	to meet the needs identified in
needs assessment.	important, attainable and	the needs assessment.
Major objectives are not	consistent with the purpose	Proposed services will help
consistent with the purpose	of McKinney Vento.	remove barriers to enrollment
of McKinney Vento.	Identified activity is	and attendance in school.
Identified activities are not	important to the	The services described clearly
related to the	accomplishment of the	supplement regular educational
accomplishment of the	objectives.	programs to assist homeless
objectives.	Proposed program	children and youth to succeed
Proposed program supplants	supplements and does not	in school.
existing local, state or	supplant existing local, state	A strong effort is indicated to
federal program(s).	and federal programs.	include homeless children and
		youth into the regular
		education programs and into
		existing supplemental
		programs.

Comments:	Score

3. Coordination of Services and Activities:

Comments:

- Describe how the McKinney Vento services are coordinated with other programs, such as Title I and Section 31a At Risk, to provide any added instructional assistance needed.
- Describe how the McKinney Vento programs/services are coordinated with other school, community or state agency services to homeless children and youth.
- Describe the efforts made to involve parents/guardians of homeless children and youth in the child's education.

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(lacks sufficient	(clear and complete)	(well conceived and
information; requires		thoroughly developed)
clarification or additional		
information)		
Points: 0-3	Points: 4-10	Points: 11-15
There is no coordination	The proposal contains a clear	Meets all criteria for adequate.
evident between McKinney	description of how McKinney	Coordination with specific
Vento and other school	Vento services are	programs is described, such as
programs and services that	coordinated with other	Title I and 31a, to provide
provide instructional and	programs to address the	additional support for
non-instructional support.	needs of homeless students.	homeless students.
The proposal describes no	The proposal describes the	Coordination with specific
coordination or very limited	coordination between	programs is described, such as
coordination between the	McKinney Vento services and	the school meals program, to
school, community and	other school, community	provide other related support
other state agency services	and/or state agency services	for homeless students.
for the homeless.	for homeless children and	The proposal includes a variety
No involvement of	youth.	of activities and an intensive
parents/guardians of	The proposal indicates that	effort to collaborate with
homeless children is	efforts have been made to	school and community
described or parent	involve parents/guardians of	agencies. Specific agency and
involvement is limited and	homeless children and youth.	staff names, and a
not related to the child's		communication plan that
education.		indicates regular contacts are
		provided.
		Parents/guardians are included
		in specific ways.

Score ____

4. Evaluation Plan:

- If the McKinney Vento grant is effective in removing barriers to enrollment, attendance and academic success, the applicant will be able to show results using school or school district level data. Describe the data used to show need.
- Describe the measurable objectives for the grant and the data that will be used to show the achievement of each objective.
- Include the timeline for measuring and analyzing the data, as well as the names of staff members who will be responsible for gathering, analyzing and reporting the data.

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information; requires		thoroughly developed)
clarification or additional		
information)		
Points: 0-3	Points: 4-10	Points: 11-15
No data is cited to illustrate	The proposal uses data to	Meets all criteria for adequate.
program need.	illustrate the need for	The data is used to illustrate
The data used does not have	program grant funds.	both need and program
a clear relationship to the	The proposal includes	success.
proposed goals.	measurable goals.	The timeline is used as a grant
Deadlines for gathering and	The proposal specifies data	management tool to ensure
analyzing program data fall	that will demonstrate the	program accountability.
outside of the program	achievement of proposed	
reporting requirements.	goals.	
Responsibilities for	The proposal includes a	
program staff members are	timeline for gathering and	
not clear.	analyzing data.	
	The responsibilities of staff	
	members are described.	

5. Commitment and Capacity:

- Describe the direct and in-kind financial support the applicant will provide to ensure the success of the McKinney Vento grant.
- Briefly describe the policies and procedures the applicant has in place to accomplish the enrollment and integration of homeless children and youth into regular school programs.

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(lacks sufficient	(clear and complete)	(well conceived and
information; requires		thoroughly developed)
clarification or additional		
information)		
Points: 0-2	Points: 3-6	Points: 7-10
The application does not	The application includes	Meets all criteria for adequate.
specify any local support,	direct and/or in-kind financial	Substantial direct and/or in-
either direct or in-kind, for	support for the McKinney	kind financial support is shown
the McKinney Vento grant	Vento grant program.	in the application narrative and
program.	The applicant has illustrated	in the budget detail.
Policies and procedures that	commitment to the	Commitment through effective
are described are unrelated	McKinney Vento program.	professional development and
to enrollment and	The applicant has described	collaboration is demonstrated.
integration of homeless	policies and procedures to	The applicant has
children and youth.	accomplish the enrollment	demonstrated the capacity to
	and integration of homeless	assist in enrollment and
	children and youth.	integration of homeless
		children and youth.

Comments:	Score

6. Overall Merit

- Is the proposal consistent with the primary purpose of the grant to provide direct services to ensure the enrollment, attendance, and success of homeless children and youth in school?
- Are the various parts of the proposal consistent? Are the expenditures tied to activities which reflect objectives that are directly related to the identified needs of homeless children and youth?

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information; requires		thoroughly developed)
clarification or additional		
information)		
Points: 0-2	Points: 3-6	Points: 7-10
The purpose is not aligned	The proposal demonstrates an	Meets all criteria for adequate.
with the primary purpose of	effort to provide services to	The proposal provides
McKinney Vento.	ensure enrollment, attendance	compelling evidence for the
The various parts of the	and success of homeless	achievement of grant
proposal do not work	children and youth in school.	objectives.
together in a consistent way	All parts of the proposal are	
to meet the stated	consistent with this purpose.	
objectives.	Expenditures are tied to	
Expenditures, activities,	activities which reflect	
objectives and identified	objectives that are related to	
needs do not work together.	the identified needs.	

Comments:	Score

7. Budget

- Does the budget reflect efficient use of program funds?
- Does the budget describe how Title I set aside funds will be calculated and used to support the education of homeless children and youth?

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(lacks sufficient	(clear and complete)	(well conceived and
information; requires		thoroughly developed)
clarification or additional		
information)		
Points: 0-2	Points: 3-6	Points: 7-10
Budget does not effectively	The budget uses program funds	Meets all criteria for adequate.
support proposed	effectively to meet proposed	McKinney Vento grant funds
objectives.	objectives.	are coordinated with other
There is no mention of how	The budget includes a	local, state and/or federal funds
Title I set aside funds will	description of how Title I	to provide comprehensive
be utilized.	funds/Title I Set-aside funds	programming for homeless
There is evidence of	will be used to support the	students.
supplanting with either	education of homeless children	McKinney Vento funds do not
McKinney Vento or Title I	and youth.	supplant other funds to provide
funds.		programs to homeless children
		and youth.

Comments:	Score